

## STATE NEWS ITEMS.

### COLSON NOT GUILTY.

The Slaves of Scott and Demaree Walked From the Court Room at Frankfort as a Free Man.

Frankfort, Ky., April 22.—David G. Colson, ex-congressman and colonel of the 4th regiment, Kentucky volunteer infantry, in the Spanish war, and on trial for four days past charged with the murder of Scott and Demaree, in the Capitol hotel, was acquitted Saturday evening. The verdict was returned by the jury at 6:27, after being out only seventeen minutes. The verdict had been generally anticipated till the last minute of the trial of the case. Commonwealth Attorney Franklin closed the argument for the prosecution with a speech which was pronounced the supreme effort of his life, and its effect on the jury occasioned fear among Col. Colson's friends that the verdict would be returned. When the jury filed into the courtroom a few minutes after it had retired, it was at once known a verdict had been reached and an acquittal was looked for. There was no demonstration, however, until Special Judge Herndon, who had been designated by Judge Cantrill to receive the verdict, called the verdict.

"Gentlemen of the jury, have you made a verdict?"

"We have," responded one of the jurors, at the same time handing a slip of paper to the sheriff.

Circuit Clerk Ford had not finished reading the verdict, which read: "We, the jury, find the defendant not guilty." Till the crowd in the courtroom, catching the import of it, broke into wild cheers.

### KENTUCKY'S GOOD LUCK.

Least, Herbert Whipple, of Louisville, Found a Pearl in an Oyster Worth Two Thousand Dollars.

Louisville, Ky., April 22.—It is not often that a man of fortune and prominence finds a diamond at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel profitable, but, at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel, Louisville, and the United States army, is some \$2,000 worth of pearls and diamonds.

Lieut. Whipple is a member of the 7th United States cavalry.

Lieut. Whipple ordered baked oysters. The first one he attacked was an ordinary looking roasted lobster. He was hungry and bit hard. Then he said "Ouch!" followed by something that sounded like a cuss word. He pulled out a dark, hard looking substance, very large, and explained that he had lost a tooth trying to masticate it. It proved to be a pearl, and Tiffany has notified Mr. Whipple it is worth \$2,000.

### Ex-Mayor Shot a Woman.

Louisville, Ky., April 22.—Ex-Mayor Stillwell, of Crawfordville, Ind., is in jail here and will probably be the answer to the charge of murder. Stillwell claims he was enticed into the house at Tenth and Green streets by a colored woman named Lottie Berry. Upon entering the room he says he was pounced upon by the woman and a Negro man, who had secreted himself behind the door. During the scuffle Stillwell drew his revolver and discharged it twice. Both the bullets perforated the woman's abdomen and she fell to the floor fatally wounded. Stillwell then surrendered himself and claims self-defense. The woman is dying.

### Suits May Be Dropped.

Frankfort, Ky., April 22.—The case of Stenographer Alonzo Walker, of Louisville, vs. Gov. Taylor et al., growing out of the alleged false imprisonment during the excitement following the Goebel assassination, was continued in the circuit court until the next term. The defendants were sued for \$50,000 each. It is understood that the suits are to be dropped.

### Killed by a Live Wire.

Lexington, Ky., April 22.—Charles Howard, a Negro, aged 15 years, was killed here by taking hold of a live wire. Howard and some of his friends were discussing as to whether or not the wire by which the arc light is raised and lowered was charged, and, to settle the dispute, Howard took hold of it.

### Jury Failed to Agree.

Richmond, Ky., April 22.—After being out two days without reaching a verdict, Judge Scott called the jury back and ordered it discharged. He ordered an adjournment of the case until next Tuesday. It is said ten jurors were for hanging and two for 20 years in the penitentiary.

### Miners' Strike Settled.

Owensboro, Ky., April 22.—The coal miners' strike was settled at Central City, and 600 strikers will return to work Monday. Operators and miners both made concessions.

### Deeds Among the Sheep.

Perryville, Ky., April 22.—Dogs have been making destructive nocturnal raids on the farmers' sheep, the losses aggregating hundreds of dollars. J. W. Broyles is the latest victim, with a loss of more than \$100 in a single night.

### Murder Over a Woman.

West Liberty, Ky., April 22.—At White Oak, in Morgan county, James Barton shot and killed McGee Brown. Both were young men. A woman is said to have been at the bottom of the trouble.

### Fatal Stabbing Over Cards.

Whitesburg, Ky., April 22.—Rumor reaches here from Knox county that Mrs. Clarissa Sexton, a widow, aged 30, stabbed John Day with a dirk, inflicting mortal wounds. It is said they fell out over a friendly game of cards. The woman has not been arrested.

### Pose After Him.

West Liberty, Ky., April 22.—At White Oak, this county, it is charged that James Barton shot and killed Mackey Brown. The sheriff and a posse are searching for Barton.

### Returned the Fire.

Columbia, Ky., April 20.—At Edmondton the town was thrown into great excitement by Ed Jeans, who was drunk and noisy. When the jailer attempted to take him to his cell, the jailer returned the fire, hitting Jeans three times, from the effects of which he died. The jailer, it is said, will recover.

### Crushed by a Wagon.

Richmond, Ky., April 22.—John Richmond, of Bell Co., was run over by a log-hauling wagon and killed, the wheels crushing his head.

### METHOD IN HIS MADNESS.

An Insane Prisoner, Heavily Handcuffed, Escapes From the Officers En Route to the Asylum.

Winchester, Ky., April 22.—Matt Young, who was arrested a short time ago by Sheriff Henry Brantley, of Bell county, and put in jail at Pineville on the charge of breaking into a store at Bird, suddenly became violently insane and was ordered to the asylum at Lexington. The sheriff and his deputy, J. J. Durham, started to Lexington with the prisoner.

While changing cars at Winchester Young escaped, and, though doubly handcuffed, outran his pursuers, scaling fences and crossing lots with the agility and speed of a grayhound. Later he was found about six miles from town and retaken. He had in some manner procured a file, and when discovered was busy trying to remove his shackles.

### Will Be Given a Hearing April 26.

Frankfort, Ky., April 21.—Commonwealth Attorney Franklin, asked the circuit court Friday morning, that Henry E. Yountsey, one of the men indicted as principals in the assassination of Gov. Goebel, be arraigned immediately. The court ordered Yountsey brought into the courtroom. The indictment was read to Yountsey, who pleaded not guilty. Motion was entered for bail, and the hearing was set for Monday, April 26.

### Date of Trial Fixed.

Frankfort, Ky., April 21.—Judge Cantrill has fixed April 26 for the arraignment of Harlan Whittaker and "Yellow Dick" Combs, indicted as principals in the Goebel assassination, and Caleb Powers and John Davis, indicted as accessories. The attorneys on that day will ask for bail and file petitions and affidavits asking for a change of venue. The date for arraignment of others has not been fixed.

### Youth Kills His Father.

Cornettsville, Ky., April 20.—William Griffiths, a farmer at Leatherwood, six miles from here, met death at the hands of his 15-year-old son, whom he had repudiated. While his mother was preparing breakfast and his father was asleep, the boy took his father's rifle and, resting it on the headboard of the bed, fired into Griffiths' breast. The boy is held in Hazlet jail without bond.

### Indictments for Manslaughter.

Frankfort, Ky., April 21.—The Frankfort grand jury Friday returned indictments for manslaughter against Craig Ireland and James Horton, both of this county. Horton is charged with killing Garland Breen, a man seventy years old, two weeks ago, and Ireland with killing Len Williams, a negro, on the day Wm. Goebel was shot.

### A Coal Road Project.

Havesville, Ky., April 21.—A movement is on foot to buy the iron and locomotive that were taken from the road from Cloverport to Victoria, and build four miles of road from the top of the hill to the coal fields on the road leading to Pellville. This would bring enormous outputs of coal within three hundred yards of the railroad and river.

### Judge Henry C. Lilly Dead.

Richmond, Ky., April 21.—Judge Henry Clay Lilly, for six years circuit judge of the Twenty-third judicial district, died at Irving of congestion of lungs, aged about seventy years. He was father of Hon. Grant E. Lilly, of this city, and one of the best-known lawyers and jurists in this part of Kentucky.

### Pitiful Troubles Driving Out Capital.

Lexington, Ky., April 22.—City Auditor L. E. Pierce, of this place, has given out a letter from Cincinnati capitalists who decline to locate a steam heating plant in Lexington because of the political troubles. They also declare they will withdraw their similar ventures at other points in the state.

### Davis and Golden Indicted.

Frankfort, Ky., April 20.—The indictments returned by the grand jury Thursday morning were against John W. Davis and Green Golden, accessories to the murder of Wm. Goebel. The case against Hazelip was dismissed.

### Related to Washington.

Versailles, Ky., April 22.—Dudley Mitchell Bell, aged 76, a prominent stock dealer and descendant of the historic Bell family, of which the mother of George Washington was a member, is dead.

### Cow Assessment Company.

Lexington, Ky., April 20.—A cow assessment company has been started in Boyd county, each member paying \$1. The new law now when a member's boy dies.

### Judge Julian Withdraws.

Frankfort, Ky., April 20.—Judge Ira Julian, of this city, who was an announced candidate for the democratic nomination for congress in this district, has withdrawn from the race in honor of Hon. South Trimble, also of this county.

### Father and Son Surrender.

Albany, Ky., April 20.—Joshua Wright and his son Luther, who are charged with killing Porter Cope at their home in this county, have surrendered. They claim self-defense. Wright is 60 and his son 17.

### Dr. Harrel Out of Politics.

Russellville, Ky., April 22.—Dr. S. B. Harrel, senator from the Ninth district, who created a sensation in the recent legislature by bribery charges, will resign his seat and go to Sherman, Texas, where he will practice. He says he is done with politics.

### Killed a Wildcat.

Louisville, Ky., April 20.—An animal which has been killing cattle and terrorizing the eastern part of Jefferson county, has been shot and killed by a hunter and killed. It proved to be a large wildcat.

### Old Race Track to Be Reopened.

Lexington, Ky., April 20.—The old Kentucky association race course here is to be thrown open on May 1. C. W. Lyne has closed negotiations with John B. Green, of St. Louis, whereby the track comes into the control of a syndicate which proposes to give annual race meetings.

### Struck by a Train.

Paducah, Ky., April 20.—Thomas Jones was killed at Kuttawa by a passenger train on the Illinois Central striking him. He claimed to be from Texas.

## FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS.

Summary of Leading Events.

Washington, April 16.—Senate.—The entire session was taken up discussing the Alaskan civil code bill. The amendment providing for the mining of gold along the beach in the district was perfected after a discussion lasting nearly four hours.

House.—Consideration of the naval appropriation bill was begun with the prospects of a severe struggle ahead over the question of armor plate building ships in government yards and the provision in the bill for the coast and frontier navy. The bill carries \$12,000,000 more than any previous naval bill.

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### VESSLS ORDERED HOME.

The Occasion for Our Warships Lying Off the Panama Canal Said to No Longer Exist.

Washington, April 22.—The Philadelphia has reached Panama and will be ordered home at once, as will the Detroit, which has been lying at Chiriqui lagoon, on the gulf side of the isthmus. The reports received at the navy department are to the effect that the occasion for the presence of the warships no longer exists, the revolutionary troubles on the isthmus having subsided, perhaps in part owing to the unexpected appearance there of the American cruisers. The Detroit will sail within a day or two for Portsmouth, N. H., where she is to be extensively repaired and put out of commission.

### To Educate Orphan Children.

Milwaukee, Wis., April 22.—The will of the late Samuel Howard, a resident of Chicago, who was worth practically his whole estate, valued at upwards of \$200,000, in trust for the support and maintenance and education of orphan children. He had no near relatives here and his lifetime expended large sums in the same direction.

### Nicaraguan Canal Bill.

Washington, April 21.—Representative Hepburn, in charge of the Nicaragua canal bill, announces that a definite arrangement has been reached by which the bill will be considered by the house on May 1 and 2 and passed.

### Every Industrial Plant Burned.

Wilmington, Wis., April 22.—A disastrous fire Saturday wiped out every industrial plant in the town. The only fire protection was a bucket brigade. The loss is estimated at \$50,000, and practically no insurance.

### Naval Appropriation Bill Passed.

Washington, April 22.—The house Saturday passed the naval appropriation bill without division. All the amendments in the committee of the whole were agreed to. The remainder of the session was devoted to eulogies on the late Representative Evan E. Settle, of Kentucky.

### Choked on a Doll's Arm.

Pt. Worth, Tex., April 22.—A little child of Ward Nowell, at Greenville, was choked to death a day or so ago in a peculiar manner. The babe got the arm of a china doll in its throat.

### The Bubonic Plague.

Victoria, B. C., April 22.—The steamship Miowera, from Australia and Honolulu, reports the bubonic plague quailing Sydney and abating in the Hawaiian ports. Serious strikes of Japanese contract laborers are occasioned some uneasiness in the vicinity of Honolulu.

### Recruits for Cuba.

Washington, April 20.—Lieut. W. J. Laws, 2d infantry, has been ordered to take 92 recruits from Fort Thomas, Ky., to Pinar del Rio, Cuba, for distribution among the commands there.

## THEIR WORK FINISHED.

Grand Jury Completes Investigation of the Goebel Assassination.

Ex-Gov. Bradley, Taylor's Leading Counsel, Says He Has No Doubt But What His Client Will Surrender Promptly if Indicted.

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### Shot Down by a Bandit.

Eagle Pass, Tex., April 22.—News has just reached here of the killing of Jordan L. Cooke at Acatlan, Oaxaca, Mexico. Cooke was in charge of a railroad construction gang at that place and was standing in a group of half a dozen men when a bandit rode up and fired several shots into the crowd, killing young Cooke. His father, who is Sheriff Cooke of Maverick county, Texas, has taken the matter up with the Mexican authorities.

### Mrs. C. E. Haskell Dead.

Chicago, April 22.—Mrs. Caroline E. Haskell, well known because of her gifts to the University of Chicago and to the various charitable institutions of Chicago, died Saturday in Michigan City, Ind., where she was visiting friends. Mrs. Haskell was the founder of Haskell hall and the Haskell Oriental museum of the University of Chicago. Among her endowments was \$50,000 to the Haberman hospital of this city.

### Rev. Charles Beecher Dead.

Haverhill, Mass., April 22.—Rev. Charles Beecher, a brother of the late Henry Ward Beecher, died Saturday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. G. W. Newcomb, in Georgetown, Mass. He was 81 years old, and was the youngest of the Beecher family.

### Porte Replies to America's Demands.

Constantinople, April 22.—The porte has replied to the American demands, stating that Turkey will compensate American missionaries under the same conditions as in the case of other foreign subjects.

### Well-known Newspaper Man Dead.

New York, April 22.—Benj. Northrup, a well-known newspaper man, formerly managing editor of the Mail and Express, died Saturday night of pneumonia, after an illness of several weeks. Mr. Northrup was born in Cleveland in 1836.

### Advance in Prices of Coal.

Washington, April 22.—An interesting and unusual feature of the statistics of the coal production in 1898 was the fact that there was an advance in prices, the first instance of the kind in ten years.

### Sentenced to Eighteen Years.

Acheson, Kan., April 22.—In the district court Thomas C. Voerman was found guilty to the charge of burning the residence of J. C. Fox, a prominent citizen, and was sentenced to serve 18 years in the penitentiary.

### Destructive Forest Fires.

Winnipeg, April 23.—Forest fires are raging on the Southwestern railway. Several lumber camps have been destroyed and over 100,000 cords of wood consumed. It is feared there may have been some fatalities.

## HE FEARED THE WORST.

Thought He Had Water on the Brain But His Fears Were Groundless.

When the doctor called in response to a hurry-up summons, the young man looked at him with eyes that had unnatural lustre, and his cheeks suggested fever to men of science, says the Detroit Free Press.

"Ah, heavy cold, I see," ventured the doctor.

"Sure. Lungs as sore as a boil. I can't talk above a whisper, and when I cough I feel as if my chest would burst. I want to be examined, and don't you overlook a spot or place that is liable to be neglected."

The doctor felt, listened, thumped and questioned. "Just a heavy cold was the verdict. Narrow escape from pneumonia, but a few days will put you all right again."

"Surely. What am I here for? Just take your medicine and stay here for a few days, doctor, look at me. Is there anything the matter with my brain? Honest, doctor."

"Not a thing. Your head is as sound as a dollar."

"Thank Heaven! I'll tell you why I ask. Two evenings ago I went to a wedding reception, and I felt as if I was going to be sick. I went over my shoes and then I got there I was met to the knees. By the time I reached home I felt as though I had jumped into the river. I am sure I was all right when I went to bed."

"That I must have water on the brain."

### SUNLIGHT AT NIGHT.

What a Prominent Resident of Xenia Says About Acetylene Gas—Lots of Light—Little Expense.

From the Xenia (O.) Daily Gazette, April 13.

Mr. L. M. Garfield, well known in this city as the superintendent of the Miami Powder Works, was recently interviewed by a Gazette representative, regarding the new illuminant, known to the commercial world as Acetylene Gas. Mr. Garfield said:

"I installed a ten light acetylene generator in the cellar of my residence, 425 North Galloway street, about two years ago, and I have used it for illuminating my home every night since. I have certainly given it a thorough test during that length of time, and I know its advantages. While the machine is supposed to develop sufficient gas for ten lights, I have often used as many as fifteen lights at once with perfect success. The light it gives is brilliant and white, and the nearest approach to sunlight of anything yet produced for artificial lighting."

"What about the expense, Mr. Garfield?"

"I have paid about four dollars a hundred pounds for the calcium carbide which is used in the generator to make the gas, and use something less than seven hundred pounds a year. Approximately the total cost per year has been about twenty-seven dollars, as the carbide is the only expense. It is the perfection of light at little cost and doing away with gas, and, as far as anything objectionable, I have nothing but praise for the generator and the light it develops, and I am not speaking theoretically, but from my actual experience in my own residence."

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